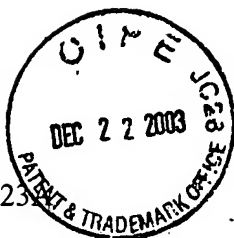


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Dear Sir:

Applicants acknowledge receipt of the final Official Action mailed November 3, 2003 (Paper No. 7). Reconsideration of the pending application is requested in light of the amendments, remarks and arguments presented below.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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